

Chaired

DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
Security Committee

SECOM-D-425

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
VIA: Deputy Director for Administration
FROM: Robert W. Gambino
Chairman
SUBJECT: DEA Request for Representation on
Security Committee
REFERENCE: Administrator, DEA, Letter of 19 December 1978

1. Action Requested: That you respond to a Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) request for representation on the DCI Security Committee.

2. Background and Discussion: Mr. Bensinger, DEA Administrator, suggests in referenced memorandum to you that it would be of mutual benefit to the Community and DEA for the latter agency to be represented on the Security Committee. He offers a member of his office of Internal Security to serve as the DEA representative.

E. O. 12036 defines DEA as a member of the Intelligence Community but not of the NFIB. Full voting membership on the Security Committee has been limited to NFIB member agencies in the interests of keeping the committee of manageable size and of ensuring that those agencies most directly concerned with a broad range of security issues are closely and directly involved in the work of the committee. Other agencies or components (e.g., Admiral Murphy's office in Defense, Department of Commerce) have

observer status on the committee. This ensures that they are kept informed of committee actions, and gives them opportunity to send staff members to attend committee meetings.

3. Staff Position: Observer status on the Security Committee should be quite adequate to accommodate DEA security interests. Such status is concurred in by the Department of Justice member of the Committee (DEA is a component of Justice).

4. Recommendation: That you sign the attached proposed reply to Mr. Bensinger offering observer status.

Robert W. Gambino

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Mr. Peter B. Bensinger
Administrator
Drug Enforcement Administration
Washington, D. C. 20537

Dear Mr. Bensinger:

Your letter to me of December 19 suggests that your agency be represented on my Security Committee. I welcome your interest in the protection of information on intelligence sources, methods and analytical procedures.

The DCI Security Committee is primarily concerned with the review and development of changes to security policy and procedures on matters of broad concern to National Foreign Intelligence Board member agencies. Full membership on the committee is extended to such agencies in view of their security interests as major producers or consumers of intelligence information. Other Community components may be offered observer status on the Committee. This permits them to receive the agendas and minutes of the Committee, and to send representatives to attend Committee meetings of direct interest. If you believe that observer status would be useful to DEA, please contact the chairman of the Security Committee (Mr. Robert W. Gambino, telephone to make the necessary arrangements.

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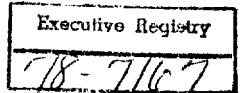
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DEC 19 1978



Admiral Stansfield Turner
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Admiral Turner:

The Drug Enforcement Administration has been identified in Executive Order 12036 as a member of the United States Intelligence Community and therefore assumes obligations and responsibilities as outlined in the Order.

The Executive Order directs that DEA shall collect, produce and disseminate intelligence on the foreign and domestic aspects of narcotics production and trafficking in coordination with other agencies having responsibilities in the same area.

Pursuant to this directive, DEA is currently a member of the National Narcotics Intelligence Consumers Committee. DEA is represented by the DEA Assistant Administrator for Intelligence who is also the Chairperson for the Committee.

Collateral security requirements direct that members of the Intelligence Community must adhere to requirements established in Section 1-604 of the Executive Order to insure the protection of intelligence sources, methods and analytical procedures.

Senior officials of each of the agencies within the Intelligence Community are further directed to insure that their agency complies with the requirements established in Section 1-7 which identifies several related requirements.

In view of the rigid security requirements established in Executive Order 12036, I believe it would be of mutual benefit to both the Intelligence Community and DEA for DEA to be represented on the Security Committee.

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Should you find this request consistent with the interests of National Security, I propose to nominate Cyril F. Frank of the DEA Office of Internal Security as my representative on the Security Committee. Mr. Frank is the DEA Security Programs Manager and has current Top Secret, SI and TK clearances.

Your consideration of this request and any questions should be addressed to this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter B. Bensinger". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Peter" and last name "Bensinger" clearly distinguishable.

Peter B. Bensinger
Administrator